

2019 Face to Face Board of Directors Mtg, June 22-23, Los Angeles, California

In Attendance: Tae Kim (TK), Willy Leparulo (WL), Chris Wang (CW), Randy Kendle (RK), Brandon Lawrence (BL), Joseph Wells (JEW), Jay Lu (JL)

May meeting minutes approved 7-0-0

Day 1 at 9:23am pacific time

NCTTA Scholarship Update (Randy)

- less money for the scholarship fund, we changed the kinds of scholarships for college and highschool
- 12,500 in the scholarship fund and some students don't follow the rules so they don't get the scholarship
- RK is concerned in 4 years that this fund may be depleted

Budget 2019-20

- 147k is what we as NCTTA has
- Going back to Round Rock where we lost the most, so this next year will be a good test
- TK is asking can we invest the money into an interest bearing account
- INCOME: Discussed differences between Champs 2018 and 2019: admissions sells in 2018 were higher than 2019; CVB subsidy; Equipment sales
- General donations were up in 2019 (Boeing, Google, companies that give for volunteering)
- We judge our Income relatively well
- EXPENSES: Did well in Regional budget, Champs budge too, did poorly with the hotel budget with Greensboro, concerned about Round Rock facility budget, but it is a consistent space
- ACTION ITEM: Chris Wang** to control ALL Championship Travel

Division Directors/Regional Directors "who is returning"

Midatlantic Region-- Spencer Ip is doing his last year as Carolina DD and we need to find a replacement , Duke University--Seemant should know people? Kevin Zhou in DC just quit, need to find people there.

South Region-- Dixie division? South Texas, maybe just leave it merged with Texas since Conrad is out; Haven't heard from South Florida either

Midwest Region-- Simon Hsu and Arcot Naresh?

Northeast-- everyone returning

Great Lakes-- Canada east not confirmed

ACTION ITEM: Brandon: Improve our Regional Director community engagement type of thing, creating communities, too technical, don't want to take the time, not people persons, sharing feedback with RD's, no connection, they want to know "who you are" (Brandon to reach out to RD's with this feedback)

-RD Training to focus more on personality, people training with DD's, relationship building with their DD's

-RD's should reply individually to DD's after each event, to find out how things went

-Regional Directors generally forget the Pre Authorization Finance report to give to Randy, as a group they need to work on that.

NCTTA Volunteer appreciation issue:

- Misunderstanding about how Champs are conducted ; Volunteer appreciation can be in the form of travel, hotel, support.
- perspective vs what we actually do as a working board.

Our divisions (recruitment)

- Brandon is getting in front of the people that work in Campus Recreation if someone were to have interest in Table Tennis they know to contact NCTTA
- contacts at the University
- going thru intramural table tennis people, division directors are happier when there are more schools in their division, DD's won't be as happy/content

Recruitment Special Project

- Justin D'Antonio: giving a free entry into division singles for a winner of an intramural tournament at the school and anyone who plays knows that College TT exists, you only lose 30 dollars a person for that
- Logistically how would that work? NCTTA has a membership fee of 75 dollars, do they pay that, do we waive that? Maybe they pay it if they come to Regionals? Give them a taste?
- administrators could do the enrollment, refund after they show up, for division tournament once they show up?

ACTION ITEM: Recruitment committee and Justin and WL to do this idea

NIRSA Conference Round up

- NCTTA was in a panel with other Collegiate sports
- lots of Recreation professionals were interested in NCTTA
- 1/2 of schools did not have College Table Tennis

NCTTA Rules/Regulations Document update:

Change 3.1 (Kagin) from ITTF to USATT

-Kagin mentions that ITTF is not having geographical differences after the RR which affects United States tournaments. Kagin suggests we change 3.1 ITTF to USATT

Eligibility: forms, penalties for ineligible players, DD's

- to include all loopholes in one place
- 2.2 should be updated to note all elig. Forms are to be scanned and emailed--use Jay's version for the Elig. document to put out and turn in on roster deadline
- Changing Elig. Forms due same day as Roster
- create an FAQ about eligibility who is eligible for college tt
 - a. Last semester student does not have to be in the min. Credit hours if truly graduating, letter from advisor, department chair suffices
 - b. First time students (Freshmen, Transfer students) will not have a GPA, b/c they are new

- c. PHD Dissertation hours some Universities Registrar's mis label these students, all we need is a letter from advisor or department chair stating their credit hour information.

For any academic issues contact info@nctta.org

Define an official varsity match

-NCTTA has a rule that creates a competitive issue in that a team would have to play a lower player so that they may be eligible for the post season.

-Solving this tactical issue is what the discussion is about now.

To be eligible for NCTTA TEAM post season:

-on A team or women's team roster either divisional

-on subsequent elig. Form for those teams

And if no rating is known must be usatt rated prior to post season by December 31st or literally having played an nctta match

Only players who have participated (played a match) in NCTTA divisional during the current season will have their ratings counted towards the team rating calculation.

There is now a "ghost" player that no one knows about or can coach against.

ID Check at regionals and nationals need to be done now

Rule change above:

WL motions it

Brandon seconds it

Discussion: WL doesn't like it b/c it is a risk, concern that NCTTA nationals will be a "ghost" player's 1st match, but it could happen.

6-1 (WL)-0 Rules passes

Uniforms

3.2 changed to this:

MOTION: Uniforms are **required** to be worn at all NCTTA Team competitions and must, at minimum, consist of matching and identical shirts of the same design and color, and must include the school or club name or logo on the front. Shirts may be different on the back, for example, player name or number.

For NCTTA singles competitions players must wear uniforms with their school club name or logo on the front.

Motions passes 7-0-0

DD's need to be more strict about the uniform rule

NCTTA Officials, players, coaches whomever can object or bring up a rules violation

Women's team payment

-missing membership forms for women's team is b/c it is free they forget this

MOTION: Chris Wang motions to make Women's teams pay 50 dollars each in the 2021 season

RK 2nds the motion

6-1-0 motion passes

Discussion: Tae likes Brandon's idea but it doesn't solve Randy's problem, club sports get very little money as it is and increasing it to 50 could be an issue. Implementation is still a question mark.

Default

-WL brings up the problem of Teams and Singles players defaulting and what to do?

-contacted other college sports to see what they do. College Tennis defaults they lose ranking points, College Soccer does a default fee, they charge an extra fee and refund teams that didn't default.

-the complaint is for a school that pays money for hotels, flights, etc. and comes to play to only win by default, it degrades the competition.

-could put a financial penalty on defaults at the National Championships whereby if you don't default a whole match then you don't get your nominal fee back

NO DECISION

Season schedule

Division season end by Feb. 8th

Regionals happen Feb. 15, 22nd, 29th

March 7th open

Champs hotel deadline by March 10th

Championships weekend is April 4th

Update the season schedule on the rules/regulations

Roster Problems

-Rosters sometimes don't show up even after saving and our rule for the penalty of not putting in roster doesn't have teeth if our system doesn't work.

ACTION ITEM: Tae will scrub the bugs from the registration system--by August 15th

NCTTA Travel policy

-when does it start? At airport parking? Or what?

-JEW says any action towards NCTTA that is when we are on the clock

- Volunteer must use the cheapest option available, anything higher must be approved
- reasonable is a word that could be used with the nctta travel policy
- Champs travel policy vs everything else travel policy

Submit receipt to be reimbursed by a certain deadline

ACTION ITEM: JOE to create a dual policy a 1 pager

Committees

Committee	Mentor	Chair	Members
Championship	Kagin	Willy	Randy Kendle Joe Wells Chris Wang Andy Nguyen Shelly Huang Deepak S Ed and Diana Hogshead Kagin Lee Cedric Mosdell Dan Wang David Del Vecchio Tae Kim
Coaching	Willy	Willy	Alan Chu Logan Zimmerman
Alumni	Chris	Kaylee	Nancy Zhou Marisa Chow
Audit	Chris	Brayden	Patrick Wu Mike Meier Christian Lillieroos
Media	Willy	Andy Kanengiser	Mike Reff
Tech	Randy	Tae	Dan Wang Xinye Ji Jack McCarthy Cedric Mosdell
Women's	Brandon	Ying Wang	Asiah Osman Shelly Huang Leparulo Tong Wei
Marketing	Joe	Andy Nguyen	Shelly Huang
Recruitment	Willy	Brandon Lawrence	San Htet

Highschool & Grassroots	Willy	Michael McFarland	Richard Perez
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Paralympic	n/a	n/a	
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Registrar	Willy	Seemant Teotia	
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Ratings	Willy	Kagin Lee	
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2019-20 Committee chairs and members approval

WL

Seconded by: Joe Wells

7-0-0

REGIONALS

- a. Standard Regional websites
 - we need to figure out which template
 - then train people to follow whichever people to do the same, copy the same website
- b. Great Lakes/Midwest Change up update
 - copy Great Lakes website and have the Regional Directors to do it
- c. Pictures at regionals and at divisionals too
 - Media in every division: Pictures for every division
 - Dennis is organizing division and regional pics
- d. **how to improve numbers registered**
 - BL mentions spring break causes issues with Regional numbers
 - CW mentions numbers may go higher and truly become a mini nationals for those never made it

2017 Regionals	2018 Regionals
Men's Singles = 137 <u>Women's Singles = 70</u> Total Singles = 207 Coed Teams = 68 <u>Women's Teams = 28</u> Total Teams = 96	Men's Singles = 134 <u>Women's Singles = 61</u> Total Singles = 195 Coed Teams = 65 <u>Women's Teams = 32</u> Total Teams = 97

Championships

2021 Championship RFP: What changes to be added

ACTION ITEM: WL to put together volunteer grid for Champs RFP

-2021 Champs RFP will be released in September to coincide with CONNECT conference

Registration software

-membership/tournament software that is customizable

-product definition, specific to what we need exactly, then can potentially re create what we need

-Brandon suggests r2sports; CW suggests that we internally should create something vs paying a 3rd party to do this.

-Registration, players rating, Team rating/registration, draw

-Chris' bot was doing the copying and pasting

ACTION ITEM: what is the most repetitive task WILLY, go to info@nctta.org and re create registration drama to chat back to Chris

Registration form changes

ACTION ITEM: Aaron Wang to update singles flight itinerary and a space for twitter of the campus rec for each school in Team registration

Regional Video

-training with Regional Directors to coordinate great points so that we can create a champs video--training area for

-crowd sourcing get the kids to choose the highlight points to be in the champs video--set this up? HOW?

-CW suggests for RD's to pull their own weight that WL shouldn't have to do things for others

NCTTA Refund Policy

-several on board don't agree with refunding anyone who canceled vs others who think there should be a refund

Champs refund policy

Option 1: If we find another team/player you are refunded everything but an administrative fee, if another team/player is not found, there is no refund.

Option 2: No refund

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Division Refund policy

Option 1: If we find another team/player you are refunded everything but an administrative fee, if another team/player is not found, there is no refund.

Option 2: No Refund

Motion for Option 1 for Regional, Championships, Division play
passes: 4-3-0

ACTION ITEM: WL to add in to Rules/Regulations

Players on 2 lineups

If there is a 4 player women's team that signs up one of their women to play on the coed team at the same time as the women's team, what happens?

-page 24 of Athlete handbook addresses this

Coaching advantage

Motion to give certified coaches that attend regionals a full financial award to either regional coed or women's teams

Proposed by WL

Seconded by Brandon Lawrence

6-0-1

ACTION ITEM: WL to place in Rules/Regulations for coaching refund

Volunteer manager

-need to name people in each area

Photography/Social Media/Media-maybe Cedric?

Commentating/production--Maybe Joe

Umpires/Scorekeepers-- Deepak

Video- Tae Kim

WL to oversee each

-would like to include Andy N on more production/social media or alumni side in future champs

Grants

-WL working with Mike Reff to find a grant for NCTTA to look for operation costs

-society of non-profits grants

Championship To do Items

-NCTTA will use 3rd party vendors for shirts, programs, printing of team signs, signs, trophies to help supplement our finances (credit card pts), pay through our credit card for big ticket items

ACTION ITEM: WL to go through inventory for Champs

-remember to invoice ISET for the logo fee (200) on Coaching Certification

T-shirts

-Team IP--JEW to follow up, several options to do here, including selling our own

Day 1 ended 7:04pm

Day 2:

9:05am pacific time

Doubles at the Championships

-Chris Wang suggesting a change in our event to include alumni to help them connect with NCTTA programming and in having a doubles Alumni plus current NCTTA player

Option 1: Erase Men's and Women's doubles and roll out an alumni plus nctta event

Option 2: shrink # of matches for men and women doubles add a 3rd

Option 3: add a 3rd event on Sunday for alumni plus nctta event

RK suggests trying it out in Regionals first

Regional Alumni Doubles tournament

- a. Alumni + Current NCTTA player
- b. Alumni + Alumni
- c. All gender

How many is it top 8, 16, 32, format, single elimination or otherwise, scheduling of it, where do you put it?

Do you have mixed mixed doubles with open liberal rules

Motion to include: Regional Alumni Doubles and having Jay and Tae to figure out the logistics

7-0-0

Mixed Doubles

- Tae as Athlete Rep suggested to put in Mixed Doubles into the National Championships and without adding another day we are hard pressed to add another event

Men's/Coed doubles

---ask Kagin so have a Men's/Coed doubles and then a women's doubles to mimic the NCTTA's which does Coed/Men's teams and Women's teams

ACTION ITEM: WL

Championship fees increase

Motion to increase m/w singles to 100 dollars; Men's/coed teams base to 325 and women to 225.00

WL proposed

Randy is second

7-0-0 motion passed

ACTION ITEM: WL to get changes made to Champs website for future

NCTTA Goals

- a. Create more revenue:
- b. Chris Wang using Mike Reff for Alumni--volunteers
- c. Get more volunteers (more board members)

-recruiting more alumni from the raffles at last year's champs, Mike and Chris are creating the email text with a bot, we need an approved committee description (WILLY) will do this

- d. Recruitment of more schools 5% more

-CW would like to create more revenue; Brandon says get more schools to create new revenues, and getting schools to STAY (RECRUITMENT) a database of new schools, just required man hours

ACTION ITEM: CW to repurpose for Recruiting, needs excel sheet, schools campus rec directors

-JEW why not go after small schools like the NAIA schools, sending out a letter/email campaign

Recruitment repurpose (membership effort) to push it out to schools campus rec directors, sport club people, athletics, etc.

-come up with a spreadsheet and spam them out in September

-come up with a text of what--Mike Reff to help out

-Try for a 5% increase of schools

Sub NCTTA Goals

a. Highschool Committee

-McFarland gave update of committee and would like assistance from USATT for future goals; Virginia Sung was very helpful with AYTTO in the past and could be helpful here

-McFarland would like to get a booth at conferences, US Nationals, Open as well as developing a National school program

-BOD would like a plan with specific dates/milestones, deliverables, road map with dates with this highschool/grassroots committee

b. NAIA

2020 NAIA National Convention

March 28-April 1, 2020

Sheraton Kansas City Hotel at Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri

-Brandon will do this conference to recruit more schools, more scholarships

Conferences--

-need more brochures:

for brochure-need more connect flyers--Chris always prints off flyers

who is going to CONNECT: Brandon

Who is going to TEAMS: Alex plus maybe Tae or Willy--Mid September

World University Games

-create a more established process for this, let our tournament serve as the trials vs just who has the money; Jasna Rather is handling this

NCTTA Scholarship Fund (is USATT interested in this?)

NCTTA/USATT membership proposal

Motion to accept USATT's membership proposal to give 10 free usatt memberships per school.

WL proposing

Seconded by Joseph Wells

Discussion: who is tracking this= USATT, we will create google form based on elig. Form of NCTTA and send to USATT

ACTION ITEM: WL to promote this initiative on NCTTA's website

Motion 7-0-0

2020-21 Membership fees of NCTTA

Currently is 250.00 there is a sticker shock with raising the membership fees

Motion for 2020-21 to be 300 dollars for membership fees

Brandon 2nd

7-0-0 motion passes unanimously

Tae Motion: Motion to 50 dollar discount for new member schools in 2020-21 season and the term new school can be later defined by years out of nctta and subject to a formal application review, there could be a financial hardship waiver

WL second it

Discussion: RK how does it play out on form? Extra radial button? TK says it is word of mouth that there is this discount, new schools that are being talked to join and send an email and we reimburse.

-TK is avoiding the mess of what is a new or returning school, not using a radial button b/c it is easily manipulated. An after the fact refund.

-JL it probably should be on the webpage, on registration, some small print under the 300

Motion passes 6-0-1-CW

NCTTA Annual Report

ACTION ITEM: WL will do again

Swag Purchase

-NCTTA baby stuff

-wrist bands, head bands, socks, fanny packs

-Chris Wang: 2 pens instead of original pens, try to make a trip in September

ACTION ITEM: WL contact ISET but not thundersticks from DHS and Double Fish

Division/Regional Ball Distribution

-Chris what will we do--**status quo**--

Motion: RK makes the motion to accept the 2019-20 budget on the screen

As of 6.23.19 proposed by RK

SEconded by Tae Kim

Discussion:

Motion passes 7-0-0

12:04pm BOD mtg adjourned